

## House Resolution No. 4726

**Whereas**, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of religious organizations that have proven down through the years to be exemplary components of local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, Buffalo Presbyterian Church in Louisiana, Missouri, will celebrate the One Hundred Seventy-fifth Anniversary of its entrance into the Cumberland Presbytery through special observances that will take place on September 30, 2007; and

**Whereas**, Buffalo Presbyterian Church can trace its roots to 1817 when it was organized by the Reverend John Matthews and charter members William McConnel, James Templeton, Robert Hemphill, John Price, James Wilson, Sarah Templeton, and Miss Gosline; and

**Whereas**, the church dissolved during the 1820s, but in 1832 a group reorganized as the Buffalo Cumberland Presbyterian Church with the Reverend James W. Campbell leading charter members Robert Kelso, Rowland Burbridge, James Allison, Mary Allison, Alexander Allison, Samuel G. Allison, Nancy Allison, Josephine Herring, Elizabeth Smith, and Elizabeth South; and

**Whereas**, a log building erected in 1835 sufficed for the church until 1869, when the current frame building was constructed approximately 200 yards east of the original location; and

**Whereas**, Buffalo Presbyterian Church has contributed four men to the Presbyterian ministry, W.H. Jones, E.E. Mackey, Robert Hope Fry, and Robert Excell Fry; and

**Whereas**, the One Hundred Seventy-fifth Anniversary celebration on September 30, 2007, will include an afternoon tea, reception, and reading of portions of the church's history:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with Buffalo Presbyterian Church and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they celebrate the One Hundred Seventy-fifth Anniversary of their church's alliance with the Cumberland Presbytery; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Buffalo Presbyterian Church of Louisiana, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Terry L. Witte  
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4726, adopted September 12, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker